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IMAGE DISPLAY APPARATUS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced U.S. patent application please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3-6 as follows:

3. (Amended) An image display apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising an image-reading-window-size changing means for changing a size of the image reading window formed on the display screen.

4. (Amended) An image display apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising an image-reading-window-shape changing means for changing a shape of the image reading window formed on the display screen.

5. (Amended) An image display apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the shape of the image reading window is rectangular or square.

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6. (Amended) An image display apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising an image processing means for processing the image in relation to the image data displayed on the image reading window.

Please add new claims 12-21 as follows:

12. (New) An image display apparatus according to claim 2, further comprising an image-reading-window-size changing means for changing a size of the image reading window formed on the display screen.

13. (New) An image display apparatus according to claim 2, further comprising an image-reading-window-shape changing means for changing a shape of the image reading window formed on the display screen.

14. (New) An image display apparatus according to claim 3, further comprising an image-reading-window-shape changing means for changing a shape of the image reading window formed on the display screen.

15. (New) An image display apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the shape of the image reading window is rectangular or square.

16. (New) An image display apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the shape of the image reading window is rectangular or square.

17. (New) An image display apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the shape of the image reading window is rectangular or square.

18. (New) An image display apparatus according to claim 2, further comprising an image processing means for processing the image in relation to the image data displayed on the image reading window.

19. (New) An image display apparatus according to claim 3, further comprising an image processing means for processing the image in relation to the image data displayed on the image reading window.

20. (New) An image display apparatus according to claim 4, further comprising an image processing means for processing the image in relation to the image data displayed on the image reading window.

21. (New) An image display apparatus according to claim 5, further comprising an image processing means for processing the image in relation to the image data displayed on the image reading window.

REMARKS

The present Preliminary Amendment is submitted to delete the multiple dependency of the claims, thereby placing such claims in condition for examination and reducing the required PTO filing fee.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the Specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

Respectfully submitted,

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3. (Amended) An image display apparatus according to claim 1 [or 2], further comprising an image-reading-window-size changing means for changing a size of the image reading window formed on the display screen.

4. (Amended) An image display apparatus according to [one of the claims of] claim 1 [to 3], further comprising an image-reading-window-shape changing means for changing a shape of the image reading window formed on the display screen.

5. (Amended) An image display apparatus according to [one of the claims of] claim 1 [to 4], wherein the shape of the image reading window is rectangular or square.

6. (Amended) An image display apparatus according [to one of the claims of] claim 1 [to 5], further comprising an image processing means for processing the image in relation to the image data displayed on the image reading window.